

6. [] provided [] with a chart which shows the KUNDEK personnel grouped according to the eight Austrian SW areas. This chart also gives the following details on each agent: position in the organization, stayability, knowledge of others, present communication arrangements, and immediate needs or work to be done with each person. [] and [] discussed the information on this chart and compared it to the map attachments of EAFU-5776, 8 February 1957, which had recently arrived at VOB from Headquarters. (At this point, [] grumbled about Headquarters propensity to send information of almost exclusive KUNDEK interest - such as these map attachments and previously, the ORCHARD Project Manual - to VOB only, when such information is of primary A&B concern. [] said he would send his map attachments to A&B and request Headquarters to send a second set to the field for VOB retention. The map attachments give a finer definition of the eight SW areas than had been provided previously.) It was agreed that [] major effort should be directed to the acquisition and initial and refresher training of W/T assets. After comparison of present W/T assets with the eight SW areas, it was agreed only one SW area - IV, North of Anselton - remains without a W/T asset. [] asked about the fingerprint verification system - whether it had been or was being taught to W/T operators. [] said it has not been and both agreed this training would require even more time of trainer and trainee alike. [] feels the W/T aspect of [] job alone will maintain, at best, a year's steady effort before it is whipped into shape. [] goes but thinks progress along other lines can and should be made simultaneously. (By "other lines", [] means mainly communication arrangements - personnel meeting signals and Dead Drop code selection and reporting - with P/As, Wartime Managers, and W/T operators.) Commenting that we now know the exact SW areas where assets are to be acquired and also know, of course, just what assets we now have, [] asked if we had anything which told us what assets we should have - in other words, did we have set up for us a goal or guide which spells out the optimum type, number, and location of KUNDEK assets? [] replied we had had a goal of sorts, written by [] professor, but it was based on the now largely discarded concept of human movement lines. (The E&E line concept has given way to the area mail concept; however, [] feels some additional work on spotting safehouses and personnel between areas should still be done.) Pursuing this subject, [] said he had in mind to write a dispatch for VOB and Headquarters approval which will set up KUNDEK goals as he believes they now should be, such a paper to be a guide for future suggestions anyone who comes after. [] agreed.

7. In talking over the information on [] chart of KUNDEK assets, the importance of an agent's stayability was stressed. [] feels our past practice of seeking and recruiting physically disabled personnel, particularly for W/T work, is not proper. Although a leg amputee, for example, will more likely escape a later draft he is, by reason of the disability, a more noticeable person, a disadvantage if he is attempting to carry out clandestine work while living legally. In addition, and of greater importance, he will not be capable of carrying out the more difficult physical activities which may be demanded of him. This will be particularly true if he finds it necessary to hide out in the hills. [] agreed and said he thought it more important that an asset be physically sound rather than possess a disability which may contribute to his stayability.